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SUBJ: SISCO HOLIDAY GREETINGS

FOR SISCO FROM CRAIG

REQUEST YOU APPROVE FOLLOWING MESSAGE WHICH WE WILL
TRANSMIT AFTER YOUR ARRIVAL IN GENEVA.

" ASSISTANT SECRETARY SISCO IN GENEVA HAS ASKED THAT
THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE BE PASSED TO THE ENTIRE STAFF
OF (EACH TELEGRAM WILL HAVE THE INDIVIDUAL POST NAMED).

I WANT TO EXTEND TO YOU MY SINCERE WISHES FOR THE
BRIGHTEST HOLIDAY SEASON EVER AND MY HOPE FOR ALL
GOOD LUCK IN THE NEW YEAR.

1973 HAS BEEN A MOMENTOUS YEAR FOR ALL OF US IN THE
NEAR EAST AND SOUTH ASIA. I WANT TO COMMEND EACH OF
YOU FOR THE GREAT EFFORTS YOU HAVE EXPENDED THIS YEAR.
WE WILL, UNDOUBTEDLY, HAVE TO CALL UPON YOU AGAIN AND
AGAIN AS THE NEW YEAR UNFOLDS AND I HAVE EVERY
CONFIDENCE THAT YOU WILL CONTINUE TO RESPOND WITH
THE GREAT PROFESSIONALISM THAT YOU HAVE DISPLAYED SO
WELL THIS PAS YEAR.

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THIS HOLIDAY SEASON HAS SPECIAL SIGNIFICANCE FOR ME
BECAUSE A PRESENT WE ARE ENGAGED IN A VERY SERIOUS
EFFORT TO FIND A SOLUTION TO THE TRAGIC MIDDLE EAST
CRISIS. I HOPE THAT ALL OF YOU WILL JOIN US IN
OUR PRAYERS THAT THESE PRESENT EFFORTS TO FIND A
PERMANENT SOLUTION TO PROBLEMS WHICH HAVE LONG
PLAGUED US WILL BE SUCCESSFUL.

SIGNED JOSEPH J. SISCO, ASSISTANT
SECRETARY, NEAR EAST AND
SOUTH ASIAN AFFAIRS"

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